## **MINUTES**

# STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2022 9:00 a.m.

#### **Members Present:**

Steve Gillman Jason Durr, Chair Opal Kuhl Susan Zellers Sam Reed

#### **Members Absent:**

Greg Morical

Tim Jensen

## **Attending Administrative Staff:**

Amy Hall - Board Director Chris Shea-Russell – Assistant Board Director Donald 'Ned' Hannah - Board Counsel

CALL TO ORDER - Jason Durr called to order the meeting at 9:02 a.m.

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA** – A motion was made by Steve Gillman and seconded by Opal Kuhl to adopt and approve the agenda.

Motion carries 5/0/0

Steve Gillman Aye
Jason Durr Aye
Opal Kuhl Aye
Susan Zellers Aye
Sam Reed Aye

## ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF JULY 19, 2022, BOARD MEETING

Motion made by Steve Gillman and seconded by Opal Kuhl to approve the July 19, 2022. Motion carries 5/0/0

Steve Gillman

Aye

Jason Durr

Aye

Opal Kuhl Aye Susan Zellers Aye Sam Reed Aye

# REPORT FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Amy Osborne provided a report from the attorney general's office of current complaints. There are currently 6 open consumer complaints. There are no open litigation files at this time.

## PERSONAL APPEARANCES

## 1. **Firooz Zandi** – Probation reporting

Firooz Zandi appeared telephonically for his probation appearance. He has been submitting his monthly reports, per his probation. There have been no changes with his status. He is unable to obtain licensure in Texas until he is no longer on probation in Indiana. He may petition the board to come off probation in February.

# 2. **Brian Koebel** – Positive response on renewal

Brian Koebel appeared before the board with his counsel. Brian answered yes to the question about having been arrested on his renewal. His criminal case is still pending and in process. He cannot answer questions since the case is still pending in the criminal courts. He does have a pretrial hearing on September 15. He has been attending anger management.

Motion made by Opal Kuhl and seconded by Sam Reed to approve his renewal and place his license on probation, to run concurrent with his underlying criminal charges. Once all criminal charges are completed, he may then petition the board to withdraw the probation.

### Motion carries 5/0/0

Steve Gillman	Aye
Jason Durr	Aye
Opal Kuhl	Aye
Susan Zellers	Aye
Sam Reed	Aye

## 3. **Steven Burns** – Positive response on renewal

Steven Burns did not appear before the board. The board determined to deny his renewal.

Motion made by Sam Reed and seconded by Opal to deny his renewal due to lack of appearance.

Steve Gillman	Aye
Jason Durr	Aye
Opal Kuhl	Aye
Susan Zellers	Aye
Sam Reed	Aye

# DISCUSSION ITEMS

## 1. NCEES Annual Meeting Recap

Opal Kuhl reported on the annual meeting. She was disappointed not to hear the information proposed by the Western Zone, which would have been very informational. The Zone meeting changes were upsetting and cut off communication between zones. Various changes they wish to review moving forward pertaining to COA, technical degrees, to name a couple.

# 2. Rule Changes

To be discussed at the next meeting.

AJOURNMENT 10:41

Greg Morical, Vice Chair

Date

#### Motion carries 5/0/0

Steve Gillman	Aye
Jason Durr	Aye
Opal Kuhl	Aye
Susan Zellers	Aye
Sam Reed	Aye

## 4. **Kelsey Rowe** – Positive response on renewal

Kelsey Rowe appeared before the board. She still has pending criminal case due to drinking and driving. Her blood alcohol was tested as .176. She was involved in a one vehicle crash. Her criminal case is still pending and in process.

Motion made by Sam Reed and seconded by Susan Zellers to approve her renewal and place her license on probation, to run concurrent with her underlying criminal charges. Once all criminal charges are completed, she may then petition the board to withdraw the probation.

#### Motion carries 5/0/0

Steve Gillman	Aye
Jason Durr	Aye
Opal Kuhl	Aye
Susan Zellers	Aye
Sam Reed	Aye

## **ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS**

### **NONE**

## APPLICATION REVIEW

## Sarah Mogen - Application Review

Sarah Mogen application does not meet the requirements for licensure. She is 5 credits deficit on the math requirement for the State of Indiana. She does not meet the requirements on the design courses. Need sciences where calculus is the prerequisite, six hours of physics. She does not have the course work for a civil engineer license.

Motion made by Steve Gillman and seconded by Susan Zellers to deny the application of Sarah Mogen.

Motion carries 5/0/0